

DISTRICT	Waterford
PROGRAM NAME	Awakening (K-3), Horizons (4 & 5) AP Courses (High School)
GRADES SERVED	K-5; 9-12
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DESCRIPTION	<p>The Waterford Public Schools has a grade K-5 gifted program with honors and AP classes at the high school. One teacher is assigned to the program.</p> <p>The elementary program, entitled Awakening, services K-3 students in their classroom bi-weekly with enrichment lessons that are consistent with the regular education curriculum. In grades 4 and 5 the Horizons program offers lessons which either compliment the grade level curriculum or the newly established Gifted and Talented curriculum. They include activities in the areas of leadership (i.e., mock trials) and creativity. These students are serviced in small group settings for one hour per week. They are offered an enrichment program that focuses on high level thinking skills. Examples of learning activities include a Sheep to Shawl Colonial project which involves many members of the community and hundreds of guests. Students entering the Horizons program are evaluated on a variety of criteria and require parental permission for participation.</p>